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SUBJECT: ROC REQUEST FOR US OILER

REF: STATE 006517

1. ROC REQUEST TO PURCHASE EX-USN OILER IS PRIMARILY IN RESPONSE TO US COMMENTS SUBSEQUENT TO RECENT COMMAND POST EXERCISE (FOOD CHAIN) OF JOINT US/ROC DEFENSE PLAN, CONCERNING PAUCITY OF PETROLEUM PRODUCTS STORAGE AND AVAILABILITY ON TAIWAN'S EAST COAST. US OBSERVERS PLACED HEAVY EMPHASIS ON LACK OF NAVY REFUELING CAPABILITY IF WEST COAST NAVAL BASE FACILITIES (PRIMARILY TSOYING/KAOHSIUNG) WERE CLOSED OR DAMAGED DUE TO HOSTILITIES.

2. ROC PLAN, UNDER THESE CIRCUMSTANCES, IS TO DISPERSE NAVAL FORCES ALONG EAST COAST OF TAIWAN, IN SAFE STEAMING AREAS OR ANCHORAGES. NEW PORTS ARE BEING DEVELOPED (SUAO/HUALIEN) TO PROVIDE LIMITED SUPPORT FACILITIES.

AN OILER WOULD SERVE AS A MOBILE SUPPORT PLATFORM FOR SHIPS ALONG THE EAST COAST, REPLENISHING ITS STOCKS AT AN EAST COAST FACILITY AND REFUELING/REPLENISHING SHIPS UNDERWAY OR AT ANCHOR IN THE "SAFE AREAS". ROCN SHIP COMMANDING OFFICERS ARE PROFICIENT IN
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UNDERWAY REFUELING AND REPLENISHMENT TECHNIQUES.

3. TO ENHANCE MOBILITY AND SURVIVABILITY OF ROCN FORCES, AND TO LESSEN DEPENDENCE ON US RESOURCES, ONE (OR MORE) OILER IS A VALID REQUIREMENT. RECOMMEND APPROVAL OF ROC REQUEST TO PURCHASE EX-USS TAPPAHANNOCK.
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